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# Peony Aristocrats

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Our 21st  
Annual

Wholesale Catalog

*Fall 1932*

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For Show Gardens  
For Growing Cut-Flowers

## Harmel Peony Co.

Established 1911

Wholesale Growers      Peonies Exclusively

BERLIN, MARYLAND



# *Please Read Before Ordering*

**SMALL ORDERS:** No order accepted for less than \$5.00.

**PARCELS POST CHARGES:** Orders of from one to ten roots, can generally be shipped cheaper by parcels post. Larger orders should go by express or freight. Owing to the multiplicity of Parcels Post rates to the various Parcels Post zones, we request all "cash-in-advance" customers who desire shipment to be made by Parcels Post, to remit fifteen cents extra for the first root and five cents extra for each additional root. With this arrangement, we anticipate that our losses and gains on postage will be about equal.

**GIVE US SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS:** When ordering please give full shipping address when different from postoffice, and state whether you desire shipment via express or freight.

**SIZE OF ROOTS:** Our prices are based on liberal, well balanced three to five eye divisions, cut from two and three year old roots and which should not be confused with divisions cut from old commercial cut-flower clumps that may have lost much of their vitality. The three to five eye divisions, through years of thorough testing, have proven to be the most satisfactory and economical size to buy and we recommend them to our customers.

**WHEN WE SHIP:** We begin shipping as soon after September first as conditions will permit, and we continue shipping throughout the months of September, October and November, all of which months are equally suitable for successful planting of Peonies.

**TERMS:** Remittance in full with order, less five per cent, from individuals or companies not satisfactorily rated. Others, five per cent for remittance with order or before date of shipment; two per cent ten days; net thirty days. Special terms by agreement. All quotations f. o. b. Berlin, Maryland, subject to stock being unsold upon receipt of order. All contracts and agreements are made subject to flood, drouth, fire, frost, crop failure or other causes beyond our control.

**10% DISCOUNT ON EARLY ORDERS FOR FALL SHIPMENT.**  
Early orders are a benefit to both buyer and seller, so as a special inducement, we are offering to our customers A Discount of Ten Per Cent from catalog prices, on all orders accompanied by remittance in full, which reach us on or before August fifteenth.

**PRICES ARE F. O. B. BERLIN, MARYLAND.** No extra charge will be made for packing or package on orders sold at prices quoted in this catalog.

**NON-WARRANTY:** We give no warranty expressed or implied after plants have passed beyond our control, the purchaser assuming all risk and responsibility of planting, growth and life of stock. We exercise the greatest care to keep our plants true to name and are willing at any time to replace from our own stock, on proper proof, all stock that may prove otherwise, or refund the amount paid, but it is mutually agreed that we shall not at any time be liable for a greater amount than the original cost.

**COMPLAINTS:** Complaints covering packing, quality or count must be made to us within five days after receipt of stock.

**HARMEL PEONY COMPANY.**

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# He Profits Most Who Serves Best!

**T**HIS old and very wise saying is just as true today as it was when first uttered.

The year 1931 marked the 20th Anniversary of the inception of our business, and thanks to the confidence and co-operation of our customer-friends, 1931, in point of volume of business, was our most successful year.

Money profits, of course, were necessarily reduced because of lower prices, and further, because of the fact that throughout 1931, we continued to pay to our co-workers the same scale of wages which had prevailed during better times.

Notwithstanding, we have greatly prospered, in that we have pleased our customers with the quality of our stock and service, as is attested to by their many letters of appreciation; we have made many new friends, and we have again had the satisfaction and delight of witnessing another season of Peonies, indescribable in their gorgeous wealth of variety, color, beauty and perfume.

Above all, our faith in God and in the goodness of the universe remains unimpaired, and we look with confidence to the near future, believing that through intelligent planning and honest effort, our Country will lead the way to a new and more lasting world prosperity.

Sincerely,

HARMEL PEONY COMPANY.

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## *Peony Aristocrats*

Fortunately when we made our first investment in Peonies, we tried out a considerable number of varieties, thus, early in our experience, we became cognizant of the fact that some varieties of Peonies were poor, some good and others fine—also, that there were many near-duplicates which could well be discarded.

From year to year, we have continued our policy of trial and elimination because we are convinced that the best interests of our customers will be served by a minimum number of varieties, to include only the best of the old and the new—those which we confidently believe to be the most distinctive and beautiful in form and color the strongest growers and most reliable bloomers, as well as the most generally satisfactory and profitable cut-flower varieties in existence.

For various reasons, however, it will be impossible for us to offer each year all of the varieties we are growing but we hope to always offer a list containing some of the finest new varieties, as well as the commercial kinds.

Our policy from now on, will be to reduce the number of varieties rather than to increase them, and our customers, in buying Peonies from us, may do so with the definite assurance that our list of varieties will constantly improve as newer and better varieties are made available. "WHEN BETTER PEONIES ARE ORIGINATED, WE WILL GROW THEM."

A few of the lower rated kinds are maintained because of certain characteristics, making such varieties particularly adaptable to producing profitable crops of commercial cut-flowers. A variety to be a success as a commercial cut-flower variety, must be a reliable, every year bloomer and reasonably attractive in bud as well as flower. It must have, at least a fair color, and be an easy and perfect opener. Stems must be reasonably long, and it is desirable that the variety be a good shipper and hold well in storage.

**WE SELL LARGE ORDERS EACH YEAR TO SOME OF THE HEAVIEST BUYERS OF PEONIES AND WE FEEL THAT OUR PEONIES WILL ALSO PLEASE YOU.**



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# *Peonies In Demand*

The Peony, with all of it's perfection of form and beauty of coloring, as we know it today, is of comparative modern origin. No other flower has so quickly progressed from obscurity to a preeminence second only to the rose. And it would seem that the time is not far distant when the Peony will displace even the rose in it's high bid for universal acclaim as our most loved flower.

The demand, through the florists, for cut-flowers, increases amazingly each year, indicating that the general public is more and more becoming convinced that the Peony stands supreme as THE cut-flower of its season, and with millions of people in our country who do not yet know the beauty and satisfaction of the modern Peony, this demand will be sure to continue to increase for many years to come.

## *Our Prices*

We offer to you an opportunity to buy "THE WORLD'S FINEST VARIETIES," including a few lower rated kinds which take the lead among Peonies having characteristics necessary for producing profitable crops of commercial cut-flowers—all at reasonable prices. You will find many real bargains in our list. In fact, some of the newer kinds, of which we have carefully built up liberal stocks, we are now offering at low prices not heretofore approached, thus affording to our customers the rare opportunity of purchasing these fine varieties at prices which should not be prohibitive to the most careful buyer.

May we suggest that you place your order early so that you will not be disappointed in getting the varieties you select?

"THE LIBERAL SIZE AND FINE QUALITY OF OUR  
WELL BALANCED DIVISIONS, WILL PLEASE YOU."



# Our 21st Annual Offering

## *Peonies Only*

We are most fortunate that we can offer, during this, our 21st year in business, what we confidently believe to be a most attractive list of well grown, selected varieties of Fine Peonies—all grown under our personal supervision, on our own eighty acre farm, purchased and maintained solely for the production of fine Peonies on a large scale.

**PROFITABLE CUT-FLOWER** and other commercial kinds which are especially popular and useful, and which can be offered at a low price, are “underscored” as **FESTIVA MAXIMA**. While all do not carry the highest ratings (too many ratings are established purely or mostly by judging the individual flower, and performance is lost sight of) most of them are cut-flower market varieties which have withstood the acid test of commercial growing, where none but the most reliable and prolific bloomers are tolerated. Such varieties, we endeavor to produce in quantity, in order to fill the larger orders of 1,000, 5,000 and 10,000 or more.

There is a tremendous interest in Peonies throughout the country. We advise that you get ready for the heavy demand this fall by placing your order now.

## *General List*

\* EARLY: Usually in bloom in time for Decoration Day.

A combination of Varieties and Prices which insures  
Maximum Value to our Customers

			Price each in quantities of
			5 25
			to to
	WHOLESALE PRICES		
	Strong 3 to 5 eye divisions		
<b>*ADOLPHE ROUSSEAU</b> (Des. & Mechin 1890) 8.5			One 10 100
Early Midseason	Double Type	Dark Red	\$0.45 \$0.35 \$0.30
Dark, lustrous red, shaded maroon. Very large. Tall; floriferous. A handsome imposing flower, with extra long stem.			
Sells at fancy prices as a cut flower.			
<b>ALBERT CROUSSE</b> (Crousse 1893) 8.6			.30 .20 .15
Late	Double Type	Light Rose-Pink	
Center tinted flesh-pink. Large. Tall; blooms profusely.			
One of the very best late Peonies we have.			
<b>*ALEXANDRE DUMAS</b> (Guerin 1862) 7.1			.25 .15 .12
Very Early	Double Type	Pink	
Brilliant rose-pink and salmon. Medium size. Medium height; very prolific bloomer. <b>Largely planted for commercial cut-flowers because of its early and profuse blooming habits</b>			

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<b>*ALEXANDRIANA</b> (Calot 1856) 7.1	Early Double Type	Light Violet-Rose	
	Shaded lighter at tips of petals. Very large. Tall; free bloomer.		
	<b>A variety with some outstanding qualities as a commercial cut-flower.</b>		
<b>ALSACE-LORRAINE</b> (Lemoine 1906) 8.8			.45 .35 .30
Late Midseason	Double Type	Pure White	
	Center tinted cream and buff. Large. Medium height; floriferous.		
	<b>A Peony of fine form and unusual color. Popular. Our stock of this fine variety is sufficiently large for us to offer it at a Real Bargain Price</b>		
<b>ASA GRAY</b> (Crousse 1886) 8.1			.30 .20 .15
Midseason	Double Type	Pale Pink	
	Thickly powdered with minute rosy dots. Medium size. Medium height; blooms moderately. <b>A flower of interesting and distinct coloring.</b>		
<b>AUGUSTE DESSERT</b> (Dessert 1920) 8.7			2.00
Midseason	Double Type	Intensely Pink	
	Each petal edged with a narrow silvery border. Large. Medium height; fairly prolific bloomer. <b>A striking new sort of unusually vivid color and wheel-like form.</b>		
<b>*AUNT ELLEN</b> (Brand 1907) 7.2			.35 .25 .20
Early	Double Type	Crimson	
	Shows some stamens. Medium to large. Tall; reliable bloomer. <b>Early blooming, reliable reds are scarce.</b>		
<b>AVALANCHE</b> (Crousse 1886) 8.7			.25 .15 .12
Late Midseason	Double Type	Blush-White	
	Very narrow crimson edges to a few petals. Large. Medium height; good bloomer. <b>A very popular white variety suitable for commercial cut-flowers and general planting. Extra strong grower.</b>		
<b>BALL O'COTTON</b> (Franklin 1920) 8.8			2.00
Late Midseason	Double Type	White	
	Petals incurved, faint lemon tint in center. Crimson wire edge on a few petals. Large. Medium height; moderately floriferous. <b>Similar to Le Cygne but more reliable in many localities.</b>		
<b>BARONESS SCHROEDER</b> (Kelway 1889) 9.0			.40 .30 .25
Late Midseason	Double Type	Pale Flesh-White	
	Tinted cream, outer petals shaded faint pink. Very large. Tall; floriferous. <b>One of the finest and most reliable Peonies in existence, and since the price has become reasonable, is being largely planted for commercial cut-flowers. Extra keeper in storage.</b>		

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WHOLESALE PRICES			Price each in	quantities of
			5	25
			to	to
CHARLES MCKELLIP (Brand 1907) 7.8	Strong 3 to 5 eye divisions		One	10 100
Midseason	Double Type	Deep Red	.40	.30 .25
Beautiful in bud and perfect in form when open. Large. Medium tall; floriferous. <b>Should be rated higher. Becoming quite popular.</b>				
<b>*COL. LINDBERGH</b> (Kunderd)				6.00
Early	Double Type	Dark Red		
Beautiful deep red of elegant form. Large. Tall; floriferous. Flowers when open are similar to a wide and shapely water lily.				
<b>COURONNE D'OR</b> (Calot 1873) 8.1				.25 .15 .12
Late	Double Type	White		
Illumined near center by ring of yellow stamens, center petals tipped crimson. Large. Medium height; very floriferous. <b>A very dependable white of good habit and fine form, and large plantings are being made for commercial cut-flowers.</b>				
<b>DELICATISSIMA</b> (Unknown) 7.5				.25 .15 .12
Midseason	Double Type	Salmon Pink		
A fresh and dainty color. Large. Tall; free bloomer. <b>An old reliable commercial cut-flower variety which has exceptional keeping qualities.</b>				
<b>*DUCHESSE DE NEMOURS</b> (Calot 1856) 8.1				.25 .15 .12
Early	Double Type	White		
Center light canary yellow, which fades white. Large. Medium tall; very floriferous. <b>Very dependable and a good keeper. Many growers of commercial cut-flowers find this to be their most profitable white variety. A never failing, abundant producer of high grade flowers. Should be used liberally in every commercial planting.</b>				
<b>*EDULIS SUPERBA</b> (Lemon 1824) 7.6				.30 .20 .15
Extra Early	Double Type	Old-Rose-Pink		
Lighter collar of narrow petals. Medium size. Tall; floriferous. <b>Indispensable as an extra early deep pink commercial cut-flower.</b>				
<b>ENCHANTERESSE</b> (Lemoine 1903) 8.9				.75 .60 .50
Very Late	Double Type	White		
Lemon tints in collar and crimson wire edges to a few center petals. Very large. Tall; floriferous. <b>Very late and one of the finest whites. Our stock of this fine variety is sufficiently large for us to offer it at a Real Bargain Price.</b>				
<b>EUGENE BIGOT</b> (Dessert 1894) 8.3				.35 .25 .20
Late	Double Type	Crimson		
With violet tinge, brightened by slightly silvery tips and numerous yellow stamens. Large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>Generally classed among the good reds.</b>				
<b>*EUGENIE VERDIER</b> (Calot 1864) 8.6				.30 .20 .15
Early Midseason	Double Type	Rose-Pink		
Pale pink at tips of petals; occasional crimson flecks near center. Very large. Tall; floriferous. <b>One of the showiest and most beautiful of "baby" pinks.</b>				

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**FELIX CROUSSE** (Crousse 1881) 8.4

.35 .25 .20

Midseason Double Type Brilliant Crimson  
 Even tone and silky luster. Large. Medium height; very floriferous. **One of the best and most popular and profitable red varieties for commercial cut-flowers.** Much better than Karl Rosenfield in the middle and southern states. Note our low price on this fine variety.

**\*FESTIVA MAXIMA** (Miellez 1851) 9.3

.30 .20 .15

Early Double Type White  
 Prominent crimson flakes on a few central petals. Very large. Tall; floriferous. **The best known and most popular white, and an excellent and strong growing commercial cut-flower variety.**

**FLORENCE MACBETH** (Sass 1924) 9.2

5.00

Late Midseason Double Type Pale Shell Pink  
 Deepening toward center. Broad, flat bloom. Very large. Moderately tall; fairly floriferous. **A beautiful flower with shell-like outer petals and center of waxy texture.**

**\*FONTENELLE** (Rosenfield 1916)

.40 .30 .25

Early Double Type Brilliant Crimson  
 Clear bright color. Medium size. Tall; very floriferous. **This variety is as yet little known. It possesses to an extraordinary degree the qualities of a good commercial cut-flower. Extra good keeping qualities and early blooming season, makes it an extremely valuable red variety. Brings top prices as a cut-flower.**

**\*FRANCOIS ROUSSEAU** (Dessert 1909) 8.2

.55 .45 .40

Early Double Type Rich Crimson  
 With a dark silky sheen; rose bud center. Large. Medium tall; free blooming. **An unusual and very beautiful flower that never fails to attract. Deserves a much higher rating.**

**FRANKIE CURTIS** (Vories 1924) 9.3

10.00

Midseason Double Type Delicate Flesh  
 Changing to pure white. Guards broad; chrysanthemum-like center of incurved petals. Very large. Medium tall; free flowering. **A white Mons. Jules Elie which is destined to become very popular.**

**\*FREEDOM** (Kelway 1909-10)

1.00

Very Early Double Type Light Tyrian-Rose  
 Flat, developing a high center. Very large. Tall; floriferous. **An unusually bright color and fine for landscape.**

**GEORGINA SHAYLOR** (Shaylor 1908) 8.9

.60 .50 .45

Late Midseason Double Type Light Rose-Pink  
 Pale pink on back of petals, vivid crimson marks on ring of short petals around center. Very large. Medium height; very floriferous. **A wonderful variety and very popular. Generally considered as Mr. Shaylor's masterpiece. Offered by us at a Real Bargain Price.**

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<b>*GLOIRE DE CHARLES GOMBAULT</b> (Gom. 1866) 7.9					
Midseason	Double Type	Light Rose	.30	.20	.15
Crown light rose; collar of narrower cream-white petals; center petals flecked carmine. Medium size. Tall; free bloomer. <b>This is one of the best tri-colored Peonies.</b>					
<b>GRACE LOOMIS</b> (Saunders 1920) 9.2			4.00		
Late	Double Type	White			
With faint lemon tints in depths of petals. Large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>Excellent form, and one of the best whites</b>					
<b>GRANDIFLORA</b> (Richardson 1883) 8.8				.40	.30
Very Late	Double Type	Bright Pink			.25
Shaded Old-Rose and white. Very large. Tall; floriferous. <b>A very distinct and beautiful flower. Useful for extending the season because it is one of the last varieties to bloom.</b>					
<b>GROVER CLEVELAND</b> (Terry 1904) 8.2				.45	.35
Late Midseason	Double Type	Bright Crimson			.30
Clear color. Large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>This is one of the best reds and rating is entirely too low. Many growers evidently do not have the true variety.</b>					
<b>H. A. HAGAN</b> (Richardson 1904) 8.2			1.25		
Late	Double Type	Dark Rose-Pink			
Globular flower, with overlapping petals; small, perfect rose center. Large. Medium height; fairly floriferous. <b>A superior variety of fine form and pure even color. A color which is scarce in good Peonies. Should rate 9.0.</b>					
<b>HENRY WEBSTER</b> (Franklin 1929)			10.00		
Late Midseason	Double Type	Red			
A very pleasing shade. Large. Tall; good bloomer. <b>Sweet rose fragrance. A fine new introduction.</b>					
<b>H. F. REDDICK</b> (Brand 1913) 7.7				.35	.25
Midseason	Double Type	Brilliant Dark Crimson			.20
Gold stamens showing among the petals. Large. Medium height; free flowering. <b>A very reliable and free blooming dark red that we can recommend.</b>					
<b>*JAMES KELWAY</b> (Kelway 1900) 8.7				.45	.35
Early Midseason	Double Type	Pale Pink			.30
Displaying a slight yellow tint from intermixed stamens. Very large. Tall; floriferous. <b>One of the very finest varieties and as a cut-flower brings the top of the market.</b>					
<b>*JEANNE D'ARC</b> (Calot 1858) 7.9				.25	.15
Early Midseason	Double Type	Pink, Salmon, Yellow			.12
Guards and center soft pink with intermingled collar, giving the effect of yellow. Large. Medium height; very free bloomer. <b>An attractive, popular and reliable variety.</b>					
<b>JEANNOT</b> (Dessert 1918) 9.2			1.20	1.00	
Late	Double Type	Pale Rose-Pink			
Depends to old-rose in center, with a distinct overcast of pale violet. Large. Medium height; free flowering. <b>Exquisite and delicate in color. A flower of much distinction and great beauty. At our prices, it is a Real Bargain.</b>					

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		WHOLESALE PRICES			
		Strong 3 to 5 eye divisions			
<b>*JUDGE BERRY</b> (Brand 1907) 8.6	Early	Double Type	Light Rose-Pink		
			Even, delicate shade, flesh tones in center, the whole brightened by vivid yellow stamens. Very large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>Exquisite, and very early.</b>		
<b>JUNE DAY</b> (Franklin 1920) 9.0	Midseason	Double Type	Light Old-Rose-Pink	2.50	
			With white outer petals; rose-bud center, showing an occasional fine narrow crimson line. Large. Medium height; free flowering. <b>A very handsome bloom, acquiring a delicate translucent color of the utmost clearness and purity as it ages.</b>		
<b>KARL ROSENFIELD</b> (Rosenfield 1908) 8.8	Midseason	Double Type	Very Bright Crimson	.40	.30 .25
			Clear color. Large. Tall; free flowering. <b>A fine red for commercial and general planting in the northern states.</b>		
<b>KATHERINE HAVEMEYER</b> (Thurlow 1921) 9.0	Midseason	Double Type	Light Rose-Pink	3.00	
			With tinge of old-rose. As it develops, the outer petals droop sharply and the inner ones incurve about a perfect rose-bud center. Large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>A flower of refined form and texture, in a class with the best.</b>		
<b>LA PERLE</b> (Crousse 1886) 8.5	Midseason	Double Type	Light Old-Rose-Pink	.35	.25 .20
			With slightly darker center, prominently flaked with red. Large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>A lovely color, dainty and exquisite, and one of the best commercial cut-flower varieties. We have true stock. This variety should rate higher.</b>		
<b>LADY ALEXANDRA DUFF</b> (Kelway 1902) 9.1	Midseason	Double Type	Pale Blush-Pink	.50	.40
			Decidedly pink some seasons. Yellow stamens mixed with a few irregular petals in center. Large. Medium height; very floriferous. <b>The flowers are charming and informal and the plant is very graceful. One of the most beautiful of all Peonies.</b>		
<b>LILLIAN GUMM</b> (Gumm 1921) 8.8	Late Midseason	Double Type	Deep Even Rose-Pink	1.10	.90
			Outer petals very large and ruffled, center petals arranged in whorls. Very large. Tall; floriferous. <b>One of the very largest Peonies and a beautiful shade of pink.</b>		
<b>LIVINGSTONE</b> (Crousse 1879) 8.1	Late	Double Type	Old-Rose-Pink	.30	.20 .15
			Old-Rose-Pink, flaked on a lighter base; a few petals marked with crimson. Large. Medium height; very free flowering. <b>A well tested, reliable variety which is good and very popular. One of the best late flowering commercial varieties.</b>		
<b>LONGFELLOW</b> (Brand 1907) 9.0	Midseason	Double Type	Bright Crimson	.95	.80
			Color intensified by golden yellow stamens near center. Large. Rather dwarf; fairly floriferous. <b>Considered by many to be the nearest approach to the desired pure red Peony.</b>		

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**LORA DEXHEIMER** (Brand 1913) 8.4

Midseason Double Type Bright Crimson  
Shows light midrib on outer petals. Large. Medium height; floriferous. **Unusually good form and one of the best of the bright dark reds. This variety is on the way to wide popularity. Offered at a Real Bargain Price.**

.45 .35 .30

**MABEL L. FRANKLIN** (Franklin 1920) 9.0

Midseason Double Type Brilliant Rose-Pink  
Collar flesh-pink; flowers regularly built but loose and graceful. Very large. Medium height; floriferous. **A very handsome bloom with brilliant silvered appearance.**

1.75

**\*MADAME AUGUSTE DESSERT** (Dessert 1899) 8.6

Early Midseason Double Type Light Old-Rose-Pink  
Develops a hollow center full of golden yellow stamens and dark rose-pink carpels, with crimson flakes on a few petals. Large. Medium height; very floriferous. **One of the most reliable and generally satisfactory varieties. Better than rated.**

.35 .25 .20

**\*MADAME CALOT** (Miellez 1856) 8.1

Early Double Type Light Old-Rose-Pink  
With creamy tints in collar, and somewhat darker center strongly marked with crimson flakes. Large. Tall; extremely floriferous. **An early, never failing, high quality commercial cut-flower. None better for this purpose.**

.30 .20 .15

**\*MADAME DE VERNEVILLE** (Crousse 1885) 7.9

Early Double Type White  
Blush-white center, with distinct crimson marks on tips of several petals. Medium size. Medium height; very free flowering. **One of the strongest growers. A profuse and reliable bloomer. Excellent keeper in storage and one of the most popular varieties for commercial cut-flowers. A money maker.**

.25 .15 .12

**\*MADAME DUCEL** (Mechin 1880) 7.9

Early Midseason Double Type Pale Old-Rose  
Has lustrous silvery sheen. Medium size. Floriferous. **Similar to Mons. Jules Elie and a more profuse bloomer. One of the good Peonies which should rate higher. A valuable commercial cut-flower variety.**

.30 .20 .15

**MADAME EMILE GALLE** (Crousse 1881) 8.5

Late Double Type Very Light Rose-Pink  
Color deeper in center. Large. Medium height; free flowering. **About the daintiest colorings and texture to be found in a flower. A favorite variety.**

.30 .20 .15

**MADAME EMILE LEMOINE** (Lemoine 1899) 8.9

Midseason Double Type Creamy-White  
Opens with crimson streaks on outer petals and a faint flush of tiny pink dots; crimson flakes on center petals. Large. Tall; free-blooming. **One of the truly great Peonies, and highly regarded by fanciers.**

.40 .30 .25

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<b>MADAME GEISSLER</b> (Crousse 1880) 7.9			.30	.20	.15
Late Midseason	Double Type	Old-Rose-Pink			
Brightest in center and tipped on reverse with silver. Very large. Tall; floriferous. <b>Enormous in size and of a deep pink, which color is scarce in good Peonies.</b>					
<b>MADAME JULES DESSERT</b> (Dessert 1909) 9.4			.85	.70	.60
Late Midseason	Double Type	Flesh-White			
Has a few stamens in depths of center, which reflect a yellow glow. Very large. Tall; very floriferous. <b>Perfect habit; thoroughly reliable; beautiful flower. Very popular and ranks among the best dozen.</b>					
<b>MILLE. JEANNE RIVIERE</b> (Riviere 1908) 8.2			.75		
Midseason	Double Type	White and Yellow			
Guards pale blush-white, center shading from cream to lemon-yellow. Medium size. Tall; very floriferous. <b>Distinctive and gaining rapidly in popularity.</b>					
<b>MARECHAL VAILLANT</b> (Calot 1867) 7.5			.30	.20	.15
Very Late	Double Type	Light Red			
Heavy petals symmetrically placed. Very large. Very tall; very floriferous. <b>Valuable because of its extreme lateness, enormous size and reliability.</b>					
<b>MARGUERITE GERARD</b> (Crousse 1892) 8.4			.30	.20	.15
Midseason	Double Type	Pale Hydrangea-Pink			
Changes to creamy white. Center petals minutely flecked dark carmine. Collar mixed with many yellow stamens. Very large. Tall; free flowering. <b>Its large size and profuse blooming habit have made it very popular. A profitable commercial cut-flower.</b>					
<b>MARIE JACQUIN</b> (Verdier) 8.3			.35	.25	.20
Midseason	Semi-Double Type	Pale Pink			
Changes to white with creamy tones; big cluster of yellow stamens in center. Large. Medium height; very floriferous. <b>One of the most interesting and charming Peonies. As lovely as the finest Water-Lily which it very much resembles.</b>					
<b>MARIE LEMOINE</b> (Calot 1869) 8.5			.30	.20	.15
Late	Double Type	Lemon-White			
Trace of crimson on edges of a few petals. Very large. Dwarf; moderately floriferous. <b>Very highly regarded as one of the handsomest Peonies. Offered at a Very Attractive Price.</b>					
<b>MARY BRAND</b> (Brand 1907) 8.7			.50	.40	.35
Midseason	Double Type	Dark, Clear Crimson			
Very brilliant sheen; a few yellow stamens buried in collar. Large. Medium height; very free flowering. <b>Reliable bloomer and considered one of the best reds.</b>					

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WHOLESALE PRICES			Price each in quantities of		
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<b>MARY WOODBURY SHAYLOR</b> (Shaylor 1916) 9.0			One	10	100
Late Midseason	Double Type	Pale Flesh-White		.95	.80
Illumined by golden reflections from stamens; marked with strong crimson blotches on a few short petals in collar. Very large. Dwarf; very floriferous. A real aristocrat. Very beautiful and desirable variety. Foliage attractive and unusual.					
<b>*MODESTE GUERIN</b> (Guerin 1845) 7.8				.35	.25
Early	Double Type	Dark Rose-Pink			.20
With slightly violet tint, much brighter in center. Large. Medium height; floriferous. Very different and distinct color in Peonies. A valuable commercial cut-flower, appearing particularly pleasing under artificial light.					
<b>MONS. DUPONT</b> (Calot 1872) 8.3				.30	.20
Late Midseason	Double Type	White			.15
Yellow glow from buried stamens, and very conspicuous crimson blotches on central petals. Large. Tall; very free blooming. One of the thoroughly good Peonies which is much better than many of the new and higher rated varieties.					
<b>*MONS. JULES ELIE</b> (Crousse 1888) 9.2				.45	.35
Early	Double Type	Light Rose-Pink			.30
Of dull, opaque quality seen in pink chrysanthemums. Center incurved and silvered with light grayish pink. Very large. Tall; very free bloomer. One of the most popular of all Peonies. Keeps exceptionally well in storage as a cut-flower.					
<b>MONS. MARTIN CAHUZAC</b> (Dessert 1899) 8.8				.95	.80
Early Midseason	Double Type	Maroon-Crimson			.70
Has silky, black luster. Large. Medium height; free flowering. The best very dark Peony and one of much distinction.					
<b>MRS. SHAYLOR FORCE</b> (Shaylor 1919) 9.0				2.00	
Midseason	Double Type	Creamy White			
With faint glow of pale lemon in depths; wire edge of crimson on some center petals is usually to be found. A very scarce sort. Magnificent.					
<b>NANCY DOLMAN</b> (Vories 1924) 9.1				7.00	
Late	Double Type	Pale Rose-Pink			
Conical form with fluted, fluffy petals, becoming pinkish-white in center. Very large. Tall; floriferous...A very handsome late variety.					
<b>NINA SECOR</b> (Secor 1922) 9.0				2.50	
Midseason	Double Type	Pure White			
With yellow glow in depths; semi-globular form with tulip-like center; fine crimson edge on a few central petals; guards splashed maroon. Medium size. Medium height; floriferous. A flower of glorious form in all stages.					
<b>*OCTAVIE DEMAY</b> (Calot 1867) 8.5				.35	.25
Early	Double Type	Light Old-Rose-Pink			.20
Darker crown, splashed with few crimson markings. Collar distinct, composed of narrow petals. Large. Very floriferous. Very dependable and attractive, resembling a very highly refined cactus dahlia. Very popular. The most profitable early light pink for commercial cut-flowers.					

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Strong 3 to 5 eye divisions			5	25	to	to
			One	10	100	
<b>PHILIPPE RIVOIRE</b> (Riviere 1911) 9.2					3.00	
Late	Double Type	Very dark crimson With blackish sheen, symmetrically incurved center. Small. Medium height; floriferous. <b>The highest rated of all red Peonies.</b>				
<b>*PHILOMELLE</b> (Calot 1861) 7.7				.30	.20	.15
Early	Anemone Type	Dark Old-Rose Crown of bright rose petals edged dark crimson; deep collar of narrow golden yellow petals. Medium size. Medium height; very floriferous. <b>A very distinct and interesting variety which should rate higher. Very popular.</b>				
<b>PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT</b> (Warnaar 1905) 7.7				.30	.20	.15
Midseason	Double Type	Brilliant Dark Red A different red. Compact petalage with stamens irregularly scattered throughout flower. Medium size. Medium tall; floriferous. <b>Good as a landscape plant or for cut-flowers.</b>				
<b>PRESIDENT TAFT</b> (Blaauw 1909) 8.7				.45	.35	.30
Midseason	Double Type	Rose-Pink With crisp, fluffy petals of translucent texture, notched and silvered at tips and occasionally flecked with crimson in the center. Very large. Tall; free flowering. <b>Massive and handsome. Commands the top of the market as a commercial cut-flower.</b>				
<b>PRESIDENT WILSON</b> (Thurlow 1918) 9.3				5.00		
Late	Double Type	Bright Rose-Pink Paling with age, and a trifle darker in the deep cupped center. Very large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>A perfect beauty.</b>				
<b>PRIMEVERE</b> (Lemoine 1907) 8.6				.75	.60	.50
Midseason	Anemone Type	Canary-Yellow Creamy white guards with center of narrow yellow petals. Medium size. Tall; floriferous. <b>Probably the most dependable and desirable of the "so called" yellow Peonies. Our price is very attractive on this fine variety.</b>				
<b>RACHEL</b> (Terry 1900) 7.9				.30	.20	.15
Late Midseason	Double Type	Bright Garnet Shaded lighter red. Medium size. Medium tall; very free flowering. <b>A good reliable, free blooming red that is fine for landscape or cut-flower purposes.</b>				
<b>*RICHARD CARVEL</b> (Brand 1913) 8.8				.75	.60	.50
Very Early	Double Type	Bright Crimson <b>Broad guards and irregularly incurved high center. Large. Tall; floriferous. The most valuable very early commercial cut-flower red. Much in demand.</b>				
<b>ROSA BONHEUR</b> (Dessert 1905) 9.0				1.10	.90	.75
Late	Double Type	Old-Rose-Pink With a glowing suffusion deep in its symmetrical center, and a few lines and marks of red. Very large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>One of the best and most reliable varieties...Distinct and beautiful.</b>				

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Strong 3 to 5 eye divisions			5	25	
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<b>ROSE HERE</b> (Brand 1907) 7.4			.30	.20	.15
Midseason	Double Type	Rose Red			
Guard petals wide with narrow white stripe through center; center of flower made up of wide and narrow petals intermingled. Medium size. Tall; very free blooming. <b>A reliable and valuable commercial cut-flower red.</b>					
<b>SARAH BERNHARDT</b> (Lemoine 1906) 9.0			.50	.40	.35
Late	Double Type	Dark Rose-Pink			
Edged lighter pink, with inconspicuous red edges on a few central petals. Very large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>Very popular.</b>					
<b>SOLANGE</b> (Lemoine 1907) 9.7			.75	.60	.50
Late	Double Type	Cream-White			
Suffused with buff and pale salmon pink. Large. Medium height; moderately floriferous. In a class by itself. Color is beautiful and distinct. <b>Offered at a price which should quickly exhaust our stock of this fine variety.</b>					
<b>STEPHANIE</b> (Terry 1891) 8.0			.45	.35	.30
Midseason	Double Type	Pale Pink			
Flushed with rose-pink. Giant outer petals; attractive wild rose center. Very large. Tall; free-blooming. <b>An enormous shaggy flower of great beauty.</b>					
<b>THERESE</b> (Dessert 1904) 9.8			.95	.80	.70
Midseason	Double Type	Old-Rose-Pink			
Petals paling toward the base and illuminated by a golden glow in the depths. Very large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>The shaggy flower of great beauty.</b>					
<b>TOURANGELLE</b> (Dessert 1910) 9.4			.95	.80	.70
Late	Double Type	Pale Cream-White			
With a tan suffusion in the depths, toning to flesh-pink in the center. Large. Medium height; floriferous. <b>Great refinement and delicacy. One of the most beautiful of all Peonies.</b>					
<b>TRIOMPHE DE L'EXPO. DE LILLE</b> (Calot 1865) 7.8			.25	.15	.12
Midseason	Double Type	Pale Hydrangea-Pink			
Petals minutely flecked with violet-rose. Very large. Medium height; very free bloomer. <b>Very reliable and a favorite variety for commercial cut-flowers.</b>					
<b>*UMBELLATA ROSEA</b> (Dessert 1895) 7.4			.30	.20	.15
Very Early	Double Type	Violet Rose			
Center of narrow amber-white petals, with occasional broad petal of violet-rose. Medium size. Medium height; Very profuse bloomer. <b>A good landscape variety. Being the first of the Chinensis Peonies to bloom, it is very valuable and is being largely planted for commercial cut-flowers. Very reliable bloomer. Offered by us at A Real Bargain Price.</b>					
<b>VENUS</b> (Kelway 1888) 8.3			.35	.25	.18
Midseason	Double Type	Pale Old-Rose-Pink			
Large cupped guards and conical center with incurved narrow collar of notched petals. Large. Tall; free bloomer. <b>Distinct and beautiful in bud, resembling an immense Darwin Tulip. Ideal commercial cut-flower. Our price is very attractive.</b>					

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	.95	.80	.70

**WALTER FAXON** (Richardson 1904) 9.3

Midseason Double Type Vivid Shell-Pink  
With a luminous intensity unique in Peonies. Medium size. Medium height; floriferous. **Stands out among all other varieties as the one 'real pink.'**

**WILTON LOCKWOOD** (Shaylor 1915) 8.8

Midseason Double Type Light Rose-Pink  
Enormous outer petals; incurved center marked with prominent red splashes and edges. Very large. Tall; floriferous. A very loosely formed flower of delicate color, illuminated throughout by bright yellow glow from the buried stamens.

*Peonies To Color*

These are all good, strong-growing, prolific blooming Peonies that will be sure to please.

<b>PINK</b> .....	\$0.25	\$0.15	\$0.10
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<b>WHITE AND FLESH SHADES</b> .....	.25	.15	.10
<b>YELLOW SHADES</b> .....	.25	.15	.12
<b>MIXED</b> .....	.25	.15	.10

*Japanese Peonies***AMA-NO-SODE** (Japan) 9.2

\$4.00

Midseason Japanese Type Rose-Pink  
Two rows of wide-spread petals forming a saucer-like cup about an immense center of long, yellow staminodes with flattened, crinkled tips stained with rose. Very large. Medium height; very floriferous. **Has the appearance of an immense crimped and ruffled wild rose.**

**FUYAJO** (Origin Unknown) 9.2

\$2.00

Midseason Japanese Type Dark Purplish Crimson  
Guard petals of smooth texture and heart-shaped outline; center a cluster of dark old-rose petaloids heavily tipped with pale buff or cream. Medium size. Tall; floriferous. **Very distinct and desirable.**

**ISANI GIDUI** (Origin Unknown) 9.3

\$4.00

Midseason Japanese Type Pure White  
Two rows of broad, rounded, smooth guard petals; center a rounded mass of thin staminodes of rich buff-yellow. Very large. Moderately tall; floriferous. **Considered the most beautiful white Japanese Peony.**

**KING OF ENGLAND** (Kelway 1902) 8.6

1.50 1.25 1.00

Early Midseason Japanese Type Dark Red  
A shade between crimson and maroon, with a dull gloss; buff staminodes, streaked with dark rose-pink. Very large. Tall; floriferous. **A handsome, vividly colored flower which is extremely popular. None better.**

**TAMATE-BOKU** (Origin Unknown) 9.4

10.00

Midseason Japanese Type Dark Old-Rose-Pink  
Enormous cupped petals; center of very long, thread-like staminodes yellow at base, with rose-pink flat, crinkled tips tinted buff and yellow at the edges. Very large. Medium height; free flowering. **Generally considered the finest Japanese Peony.**

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## *Single Peonies*

			Price each in quantities of
			5 25 to to One 10 100
	WHOLESALE PRICES		
	Strong 3 to 5 eye divisions		
*HELEN (Thurlow 1922) 9.0	Early Single Type	Dark Shell-Pink	\$4.00
	Double row of broad, round petals with mass of golden stamens in center. Large. Tall; free bloomer. <b>Lovely, and one of the first Peonies to bloom.</b>		
L'ETINCELANTE (Dessert 1905) 8.4	Midseason Single Type	Very Bright Pink	.95 .80
	Each petal having a lighter, almost silvery border; stamens bright golden yellow. Very large. Tall; floriferous. A variety which everyone loves. <b>Very reliable and fine for use as a cut-flower in home. Wonderful keeper. The best single.</b>		
PRIDE OF LANGPORT (Kelway 1909) 8.9	Midseason Single Type	Pale Rose-Pink	2.00
	Wide spreading, cupped petals, surrounding a large cluster of very bright golden-yellow stamens. The soft, pleasing pink color and the delightful habit of growth make this a very desirable variety.		

## *Bulbous Iris*

(THE POOR MAN'S ORCHID)

A few years ago, being attracted by the exquisite beauty of these lovely and lasting flowers, we purchased a few bulbs for own enjoyment. They have multiplied rapidly, and we now have a limited number of bulbs which we can with confidence offer to our customers, feeling that they will be delighted with their purchases.

Bulb Iris are fine for the border or for cutting for bouquets in the home. Bulbs planted out of doors, bloom in late May or early June. Also, forced in greenhouse by florists. We offer only three varieties which are best in their color class.

	Price each in quantities of	25 to 100 1000
IMPERATOR, best dark blue		\$0.05 \$0.04
WEDGEWOOD, new, scarce, beautiful Wedgewood blue		.15 .12
YELLOW QUEEN, uniform yellow		.07 .06

(No less than 25 of one variety sold)

## *Instructions For Growing Bulbous Iris*

Plant out of doors in the fall about October 10th to October 15th. Plant in beds the same as onions, bulbs to be set about four to six inches apart and four inches deep. In the northern states, after first freeze, protect the bed with a covering of one inch of straw or other suitable mulch material that the tops can readily grow through. Plant in well drained soil. Sandy soil is probably most suitable. Raw ground bone thoroughly mixed with the soil before planting is a safe fertilizer. Take up the bulbs each year when tops are dead, and store in dry, well ventilated building.

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# *Excellent Profits*

are being made from large plantings of Peonies of varieties especially adapted to commercial cut-flower production.

**We have customers whose net profits per year exceed \$1,000 per acre.**

About 3,600 to 5,000 plants are required to set an acre. Plant an acre to Peonies. It should prove to be the most profitable acre you own.

We have devoted twenty one years to learning the most profitable and satisfactory Peonies for commercial cut-flower planting, and in building up adequate stocks of these varieties to supply our customers.

## *Suggestions for Planting*

Peonies should be planted in the fall, and are equally successful when planted at any time from September first until the ground freezes too deep to allow planting. They succeed best in good quality, well drained garden soil, such as would produce a good crop of Irish Potatoes. Do not plant Peonies in very sandy soil—they are not likely to succeed.

Place roots in their natural position, two to four feet apart (for permanent cut-flower planting, rows may be four feet apart, plants three feet apart in the row, or  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$  feet will be preferred by some) with new eyes two inches below the surface of the ground. Many growers plant as close as  $3 \times 3$  feet.

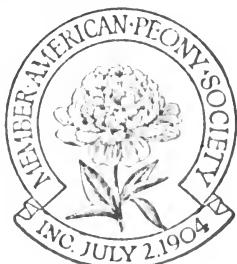
An application of raw ground bone (bone meal) thoroughly mixed with the soil at planting time, will supply sufficient plant food for a year or two. A top dressing of hardwood ashes, applied in early spring, would assist in quick root development.

Soil should be well prepared by plowing or spading and cultivating to a depth of eight inches or more and allowed to settle for a few days prior to setting the roots.

On some types of soil, a light covering of straw or leaves for the first winter will prevent the newly set roots from heaving out because of alternate freezing and thawing.

Remove covering of straw or leaves from directly over the plants, in early spring, before Peonies come through the ground. When Peonies are up a few inches, cultivate thoroughly and often throughout the growing season.

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# Spring Shipments

Spring dug Peonies are often unsatisfactory to both buyer and seller. Therefore, we would suggest to our customers who wish Peonies shipped in the spring, that they place orders with us as early as possible the previous fall, so that the Peonies may be dug at the proper time.

On such orders, we can place the Peonies in cold storage here, and ship in the spring on date specified by order. By this method, customers will receive Peonies in best condition for handling and planting.

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